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# Spotlight on May Events

Council FY17 Budget Public Hearings & Work Sessions Cont.

- The Council continues to review the FY17 Capital and Operating Budget. We welcome your participation by attending our upcoming public hearings, work sessions and encourage you to submit testimony to the **Council**. Click **here** for our current calendar.

HCPSS Expands Summer Food Service to 4 Locations
The 2016 Summer Food Service Program will be available Mon-Fri
12:30-2pm June 27-July 29, 2016 at 4 locations: Phelps Luck ES,
Laurel Woods ES, Long Reach HS and Talbott Springs ES
(12:45-2:15pm). Meals will be provided to children ages 3-18 without
charge. Acceptance & participation requirements are the same
regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.
Parents or guardians do not need to apply to get free summer meals,
simply bring their child to one of the sites. For more details, call 410313-6736.

**Spring 2016 Parent Pages** Released! Enjoy info on upcoming events for parents to explore. This issue also includes positive approaches to working with your child, finding your child's passion, parenting technology controls and much more. Read more.

## U Can Win, Community Resource Day & Men's Health & FitnessFest

Solution May 14, 2015 10 am, 101 2 pm.

May 15, 2015 10 am, 10

You're cordially invited to our annual U Can Win, Community Resource Day and Howard County Men's Health & FitnessFest on Saturday, May 14, 2016 10am-2pm at Celebration Church, 6010 Foreland Garth in Columbia. Enjoy fun activities for the whole family! There will be free healthy screenings, food samples, important health and wellness information and resources and much more. For qualifying families, there will be a FREE food distribution. A yard sale and BBQ will also be hosted. For more details, email Cheshana Weaver at <a href="mailto:cheshana@hotmail.com">cheshana@hotmail.com</a>.

# **Restaurant Nights - Support Our Schools**

Bonnie Branch Middle School

May 9 at Victoria's Gastro Pub, 8201 Snowden River Pkwy Phelps Luck Elementary School (Bring flyer & 30% donated to PTA) May 10 11am-8pm at Roma's Pizza, 5325 Phelps Luck Dr.

Ellicott Mills Middle School

May 25 ALL Day at Chick-fil-A

Bellows Spring Elementary School

June 7 at Tino's Italian Bistro, 8775 Centre Park Dr Thunder Hill Elementary School (Bring flier & PTA can earn up to 20%)

June 8 ALL Day at Green Turtle, 8872 McGaw



## **Consumer Advisory Board**

Howard County is now seeking applicants for a five-year term on the Consumer Affairs Advisory Board. Board members are responsible for reviewing the Office of Consumer Affairs programs and making recommendations on how it may better carry out its duties. To be eligible, candidates must be Howard County residents, 18 years of age or older, have an interest in consumer issues and be able to attend the Board's meetings held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7pm held at the Office of Consumer Affairs, 6751 Columbia Gateway Dr. in Columbia.

To apply, send a resume and a brief letter explaining why you want to serve to David Lee by email to <a href="mailto:dklee@howardcountymd.gov">dklee@howardcountymd.gov</a> or by mail to: Howard County Government, Office of the County Executive, Attn: David Lee, 3430 Court House Dr, Ellicott City, MD. The deadline is **Friday, May 13. 2016**.

## **Native Plant Palooza**

Come shop our native plant sale on Sunday, May 15, 2016 at 12pm at the Robinson Nature Center, 6692 Cedar Lane in Columbia. By planting native and properly caring for your plants, you can save on the cost of water, fertilizer and pesticides while



providing a habitat for butterflies, insects, and other local wildlife. A portion of proceeds from the sale of all plants benefits educational programs and the Nature Center. Master Gardners will be on hand to answer your questions. This event is free and open to all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Read more

## Wine in the Woods



Join us for Howard County's 24th annual Wine in the Woods on Saturday, May 21, 2016 11am - 6pm and Sunday, May 22, 2016 11am - 5pm at Symphony Woods, 5950 Symphony Woods Rd, Columbia as we celebrate the charm and character of an event that has aged to perfection! Sample a variety of Maryland's finest wineries; purchase food from high quality, distinctive restaurants and caterers; sharpen your palate by attending wine education

seminars; purchase exceptional works of art and specialty crafts; and revel in continuous live entertainment. The event is held in rain or shine; no pets allowed. For more information, visit the event website.

# **Dorsey's Search RideAbout**



Mark your calendars for the Dorsey's Search RideAbout, a short, family-friendly bicycle ride on **Saturday**, **May 21**, **2016 at 9:30am**. This bike ride will offer the chance to learn more about the history of the land and the Dorsey Hall manor house. Online pre-registration is encouraged. For more information, email **ColumbiaArchives@ColumbiaAssociation.org** or call **410-715-6781** 

# **Happy Memorial Day**

All county government offices, courts, animal shelter and the landfill will be closed on **Monday**, **May 30**, **2016** in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. There will be no trash, recycling, food scraps or yard trim collection on Monday, and the County's Holiday "Slide"



schedule will be in effect. Parking meters are NOT free and regulations are in effect.

As always, Police, Fire and the 9-1-1 Call Center will remain staffed 24hrs/day, 7 days/week. For emergencies, dial 9-1-1; for non-emergencies, call **410-313-2200**.

# **Collision Avoidance Training**

The HC Police Department will be conducting Collision Avoidance Training (CAT) classes through **December**. This is an advance defensive driving and vehicle control program for licensed teen driver's ages 16-20. Driving skills addressed include: evasive maneuvers, emergency braking, cornering, backing, skid recovery, steering, acceleration and more.

Students must operate their own vehicle and successfully complete each driving skill/maneuver to receive a certificate of completion. Space is limited. Cost is \$95. Generous program support and scholarships are provided by the Howard County Police Foundation, Erie Insurance and the Browning Reagle Insurance Agency. Sessions are: May 21; June 25; July 23; August 20; September 17; October 15; November 19; and December 20. For more information, visit our website.

## **KidsDay Party**

KidsDay, the annual public welcome-to-summer event for kids hosted by Columbia Association will be held **Saturday**, **June 11**, **2016 from 10am-3pm** at Columbia SportsPark, (5453 Harpers Farm Road toward the back of the Harper's Choice Village Center). There will also be numerous fun options available and free to all, including arts and crafts, a moon bounce, and face painting. Concessions will be available for purchase and door prizes will be held. For more information, visit this <u>website</u>.

## **ARTreach Festival**

Join us for our free, outdoor community arts festival at the Long Reach Village Center in Long Reach Village Center, Columbia on June 11, 2016 11am-4pm. Enjoy drop-in artist demonstrations and hands-on arts activities for kids and families, plus lively music by a diverse group of regional performers, a photo booth, stilt walkers, magicians, face painters, and more! To volunteer or learn more, visit the website or email outreach@hocoarts.org You can also like ARTreach on Facebook or follow them on Twitter.



# **Summer Camp**

Register now for our Visual and Performing Arts Summer Camps! Camps run from **June 20-August 12** and are open to students entering grades K-7. Full- or half-day sessions and before and after care are available. For complete details or to register visit the Howard County Summer Camps **website**.

## Paint It! Ellicott City 2016

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Be a part of the Paint It! Ellicott City Open Paint-Out. Set up an easel and enjoy painting alongside our juried artists **July 8 - July 10** in Historic Ellicott City. For a small registration fee, you can also

participate in the community exhibition and display your work during our opening reception at HCCA, **July 11, 2016 6pm-8pm**, and later at the Howard County Welcome Center. For more details visit the **exhibits** page or call **410-313-ARTS (2787)**.

## "Find Your Park HoCo" Quest

Our Department of Recreation & Parks has joined the national movement to connect people with parks in their communities through "Find Your Park HoCo," a program that guides the exploration of county parks with an interactive booklet. Participants who visit all eight parks throughout the summer can turn in their completed booklet anytime during the month of September to the Robinson Nature Center to receive a free prize bag and enter a grand prize drawing for a four-person camping tent and chairs from REI. To pick up your free booklet, stop by the **Robinson Nature Center** (6692 Cedar Lane, Columbia), **REI** (6100 Dobbin Road, Columbia) or one of this summer's <u>Sunset Serenades concerts</u>. For more details, visit the **website**.

# Recreation & Parks seeks Public Input for LPPRP

Howard County's Department of Recreation & Parks is seeking input from residents for its Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP), a comprehensive plan produced every five years that guides the department on plans for managing and enhancing the systems of preserved public lands, parks, and recreation facilities. Residents will have the opportunity to discuss their experiences to identify initial issues related to Recreation and Parks' programs, spaces and operations. Future opportunities to hear from the public will be scheduled.

The LPPRP is due to be submitted to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and Maryland Department of Planning by **July 1**, **2017**. For more information on the LPPRP and to read the one submitted in 2012, visit the **website**.

## **World Language Cafe**



CA's monthly World Language Cafe is a place to speak a language you know or are learning, converse in a friendly atmosphere, meet new people who enjoy learning about other cultures, increase your fluency, and pick up useful phrases to use when traveling. It meets on the fourth Tuesday of

the month, 7-9pm at the 50+ Center of the East Columbia Library, 6600 Cradlerock Way, Columbia. Upcoming sessions are **May 24** and **June 28**. Come in and join the language table of your choice (American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, Dutch, English, Farsi, French, German, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and Turkish). For more info, call **410-715-3162** or

email <a href="mailto:lnternational@ColumbiaAssociation.org">lnternational@ColumbiaAssociation.org</a>. For more information, visit our website.

## 2016 Farmers Market Season

The Howard County Farmers Market has kicked off the 2016 season with eight exciting, convenient locations! For more information is available online. website

#### Miller Branch Library

(9421 Frederick Rd, Ellicott City) Hours of Operation: Wednesdays 2-6pm;

## **East Columbia Branch Library**

(6600 Cradlerock Way, Columbia) Hours of Operation: Thursdays 2pm-6pm;

## **Howard County General Hospital**

(5755 Cedar Ln, Columbia) Hours of Operation: Fridays 11:30am-4:30pm;

## Maple Lawn

(Off Rt 216 and Maple Lawn Blvd) Hours of Operation: Saturdays 9am-1pm;

## **Ellicott City Old Town Market**

(The Wine Bin & Little French Market, Midtown Old Ellicott City) Hours of Operation: Saturdays 9am-1pm

## **Glenwood Community Farmers Market**

(2350 MD-97, Cooksville) Hours of Operation: Saturdays 9am-1pm

#### Oakland Mills Village Center

(5851 Robert Oliver Place, Columbia) Hours of Operation: Sundays 9am-1pm;

#### **River Hill Farmers Market**

(River Hill Garden Center, 12165 Clarksville Pike) Hours of Operation: Saturdays 9am-1pm; Season begins May 14

# **Ms. Biz Mornings**

Ms. Biz Mornings is a FREE networking group for women in business hosted the 1st Tuesday morning of every month (8:30am-10am). Events are held at a different local business each month. 2016 schedule is as follows:

June 7 Horse Spirit Arts Gallery, 8090 Main St., Downtown Ellicott City

July 5 Sub Zero Wolf by Fretz, 9204 Berger Rd, Columbia August 2 Life Dance Loft, 11200 Scaggsville Rd #125, Laurel

September 6 Spiritual Spectra - Jen Garcia, 10440 Shaker Dr #103, Columbia

October 4 Perspectives Art & Design, 8191 Main St, Ellicott City
November 1 Sacred Healing Hands, 11155 Stratfield Ct, Marriottsville
Kelsey's Kloset, 11200 Scaggsville Rd, Laurel/Fulton

Share With Friends & Neighbors!

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